

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Ref: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT COMPLETION, PER
RESOLUTION G-01-31, RURAL TRANSIT SYSTEM GRANT PROGRAM GUIDELINES
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ISSUE

Resolution G-01-31, Rural Transit System Grant Program (RTSGP) Guidelines, adopted by the California Transportation Commission (Commission) on October 4, 2001, stipulates that RTSGP projects shall be completed by June 30, 2004.

For the four RTSGP projects on the attached list, the responsible agencies will not be able to meet the deadline specified in the RTSGP Guidelines and have requested extensions to allow sufficient time to resolve outstanding issues.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Transportation recommends approval of the extensions requests.

BACKGROUND

On April 3, 2002, the Commission approved Resolution G-02-01 allocating \$2,657,000 in Public Transportation Account funds for the four Rural Transit System Grant Program projects on the attached list. The attachment describes the delays that have resulted in the extension requests.

Attachment

Time Extension/Waiver – Project Completion
RTSGP Transit Projects

Project #	Applicant County	Extension Amount By Component PA&ED PS&E R/W CON TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
1	County of Del Norte Del Norte County New Facility <i>RTSGP Project</i> - to construct a Transit Facility with a maintenance shop, dispatch center, vehicle storage, and office space to be shared by the transit operators of Crescent City and Del Norte County. The project was bid out on schedule, but the bids received exceeded available funding and were rejected. The plans were modified and the project was put out to bid again in January 2004. Although work has started and it is anticipated that the project will be completed this construction season, but in the event that the work is not completed due to heavy rains in early 2004, a twelve month extension is requested to ensure that the work is completed by June 30, 2005.	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$630,000 \$630,000	12 months 6/30/2005 Support
2	Lake Transit Authority Lake County Operations and Maintenance Facility <i>RTSGP Project</i> - to construct an Operations and Maintenance Facility to house Lake Transit Authority's maintenance shop, and provide space for management, operations, and customer services offices. Construction work was delayed 92 days by frequent and heavy rainfall. The constant rain saturated the ground at the construction site creating problems with the movement of construction equipment. Also, until it dried, the ground could not be sufficiently compacted to allow paving of the parking areas.	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$1,451,000 \$1,451,000	6 months 12/31/2004 Support
3	City of Morro Bay San Luis Obispo County Right of Way for Civic Center <i>RTSGP Project</i> - to purchase vacant lot to provide for a multi-modal transit stop in the Civic Center project, and to house new Dial-A-Ride office, parking and dispatch center. Right of way negotiations have been delayed due to the fact that a property owner lives out of state. To compound the problem, the owner has had health problems for the past six months, making it difficult to finalize the right of way transaction.	\$0 \$0 \$162,000 \$0 \$162,000	12 months 6/30/2005 Support
4	City of Tulare Tulare County Tulare Intermodal Transit Center <i>RTSGP Project</i> - to construct the Tulare Intermodal Transit Center. Originally, this project was to be combined with a STIP project but due to the lack of STIP funds, a decision has been made to proceed with the work being funded with the RTSGP funds. The delay is a result of making design changes needed to proceed with the stand-alone work.	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$414,000 \$414,000	3 months 09/30/2004 Support